

# **Cultural Arts & Community Events July 2009 Calendar Of Events**

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Arts & Community Events programs: www.artslasvegas.org City of Las Vegas Web site: www.lasvegasparksandrec.com

PROGRAMS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

#### Some Future - Sometime Exhibition

Through July 18, Tuesday through Friday, 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Reed Whipple Cultural Center, 821 Las Vegas Blvd. North, 229-6211.

Curated by David Sanchez Burr, this exhibition offers works that explore ideas related to the future.

Free admission.

#### Erin Anfinson – Confrontations Exhibition

Through Aug. 27, Tuesday through Friday, 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Saturday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Charleston Heights Arts Center, 800 S. Brush St., 229-6383 Contemporary paintings of animals and landscapes.

## **Ethnic Express Folk Dancing**

Wednesdays, 6:30 to 8:45 p.m. through July 29

Charleston Heights Arts Center, 800 S. Brush St., 229-6383

Folk dances are the aerobics of our ancestors! Join us to learn the traditional dances of Armenia, Bulgaria, China, Greece, Israel, Macedonia, Russia, Serbia, Turkey and more.

Tickets: \$4 per person, per day

#### David Chicken – The Live Show

Thursday, July 9, 2 and 7 p.m.

The Historic Fifth Street School, 401 S. Fourth St., 229-4614.

David Chicken promotes good health and fitness through fun, original music, hilarious videos and exciting, interactive performances. His family-friendly CDs and Emmy Award-winning DVD are filled with music that inspires creativity, exercise and learning.

Tickets: \$3, available online at www.artslasvegas.org, by calling 229-4614, or at the door.

## Celebrating Life! Winners Circle Exhibition

July 10-Sept. 18, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Bridge Gallery, City Hall, 400 Stewart Ave., 2<sup>nd</sup> floor lobby.

Award-winning entries from the Celebrating Life! juried fine arts competition for active adults 50 and better.

Free admission.

#### The Hudson Vagabond Puppets – Ferdinand the Bull

Friday, July 10, at 11:30 a.m. and 2 p.m.; Saturday, July 11, at 2 p.m.

Charleston Heights Arts Center, 800 S. Brush St., 229-6383

Based on the classic tale by Munro Leaf and illustrations by Robert Lawson, this story of the bull that would not fight will be told in a narrated ballet with a larger-than-life bull, masked dancers and specialized mechanical figures.

Tickets: \$3 all seats -more-

## Family Film in the Park (all ages)

Friday, July 10, 8 p.m.

Centennial Hills Park Amphitheatre,

7101 N. Buffalo Drive between Deer Springs Way and Elkhorn Road.

Bring the children to enjoy *The Tale of Despereaux* family film. The public is invited to bring picnics and blankets or folding chairs. No pets or glass containers, please. Call 229-1087 for information.

Free admission

# The Arts Conservatory Performance (all ages)

Saturday, July 11, 2 p.m.

Reed Whipple Cultural Center, 821 Las Vegas Blvd. North, 229-6211.

Enjoy this community showcase of students' achievements in dance, music and visual arts. Performances will include songs, poetry and dance routines by the talented children of The Arts Conservatory summer camp.

Free admission

# Saturday Contra Dancing (all ages)

Cosponsored by the Southern Nevada Old Time Contra Dancers

Saturday, July 11, 7 to 10 p.m.; group lessons 6:30 p.m.

Charleston Heights Arts Center, 800 S. Brush St., 229-6383

Dance to the live music of an acoustic band playing joyful fiddle tunes, driving reels, and a waltz or two. These lively community dances recapture aspects of New England and frontier barn dances, with more modern twists. All dances are taught and called, newcomers and families are welcomed. No need to bring a partner. Wear comfortable flat-soled shoes and casual clothing.

Tickets: \$7 adults; \$5 members, students & military; \$3 for children under 16 and non-dancing adults.

## Bandstand Jam Series: Fun with Summer Camp Songs (all ages)

Friday, July 17, 7 to 8:30 p.m.

East Las Vegas Community/Senior Center, 250 N. Eastern Ave., 229-1515

Enjoy an evening sing-along with your favorite summer camp songs. Learn new ones! Free admission

# The Poets' Corner

Friday, July 17, 7:30 p.m.

## West Las Vegas Arts Center

947 W. Lake Mead Blvd., 229-4800

Keith Brantley hosts a forum for established poets and open-microphone participants. Free admission.

# Solo Acoustic Spotlight Series: Pianist Rosita Kanes

Saturday, July 18, 2 p.m.

Reed Whipple Cultural Center, 821 Las Vegas Blvd. North, 229-6211.

Relax while this elegant performer entertains you with her diverse repertoire — everything from contemporary standards, ballads, show tunes, Gershwin and Cole Porter to classical, Latin and international favorites.

Tickets: \$5 all seats

## Tears of Joy Theatre Performs Stellaluna

Thursday, July 23, 2 and 7 p.m.

The Historic Fifth Street School, 401 S. Fourth St., 229-4614.

Stellaluna, the enchanting story of a baby fruit bat who falls into a bird's nest, is adapted from the beloved book by Janell Cannon. She tries to adapt to her new home, but struggles with her differences and trouble fitting in. What a relief when she finally discovers she is a bat. Its message of self-acceptance and celebrating diversity is warm and clear.

Tickets: \$3, available online at www.artslasvegas.org, by calling 229-4614, or at the door.

#### Anders Knutsson Exhibition - canceled

July 24-Oct. 10, Tuesday through Friday, 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Saturday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Reed Whipple Cultural Center, 821 Las Vegas Blvd. North, 229-6211.

## It's A Girl Thing Exhibition

July 24-Oct. 10, Tuesday through Friday, 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Saturday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Artists' Reception: July 24, 6 to 8 p.m.

Reed Whipple Cultural Center, 821 Las Vegas Blvd. North, 229-6211.

Local artists explore the title of the exhibit through their artwork.

Free admission.

## Saturday Contra Dancing (all ages)

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Saturday, July 25, 7 to 10 p.m.; group lessons 6:30 p.m.

Charleston Heights Arts Center, 800 S. Brush St., 229-6383

Dance to the live music of an acoustic band playing joyful fiddle tunes, driving reels, and a waltz or two. These lively community dances recapture aspects of New England and frontier barn dances, with more modern twists. All dances are taught and called, newcomers and families are welcomed. No need to bring a partner. Wear comfortable flat-soled shoes and casual clothing.

Tickets: \$7 adults; \$5 members, students & military; \$3 for children under 16 and non-dancing adults.

# Solo Acoustic Spotlight Series: Percussionist Rachel Julian Jones

Friday, July 31, 7 p.m.

Reed Whipple Cultural Center, 821 Las Vegas Blvd. North, 229-6211.

Enjoy this performance of marimba, multi-percussion and steel drums. Rachel Julian Jones holds a bachelor's, master's and doctorate in music.

Tickets: \$5 all seats

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